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Memorandum: ALLIANCE AGAINST SOVIET COLONIALISM

The striking successes in recent years of Soviet propaganda in Asia and Africa are partly the consequences of the total lack in the Western world of an effective instrument against Soviet colonialism.

The Soviet empire, in the current stage of its expansion, is waging its campaign for the control of Asia and Africa under the slogan of the liberation of the Asian and African peoples from the colonization of the capitalist powers.

The successes of Soviet propaganda are demonstrated by the facts that the former colonial or semi-colonial peoples have been persuaded to regard the Soviet Union as a free nation of sovereign states and that the Soviet Union is sincere and disinterested in its efforts to help national peoples to win independence from Western domination.

In the struggle against Soviet imperialist expansion the West has not yet found it possible to counteract Soviet propaganda through publication of scientific works and through efforts to present by means of the press and radio the real conditions of the non-Russian peoples under Moscow's rule.

But this struggle has thus far proved ineffectual mainly because of the failure to establish an authoritative political organ composed of recognized representatives of the peoples subjected by Moscow--an organ which has the possibility of developing its action.

We submit that the need for such an organ is urgent. We propose to create it in the form of an organization named the Alliance Against Soviet Colonialism --AASC --to be composed of representatives-in-exile of the peoples of Armenia, Azerbaidjan, Byelorussia, Crimean Turks, Georgia, North Caucasus, Tataro-Bashkir, Turkistan and Ukraine.

The AASC will not engage in condemning the Russian people, with whom the non-Russians desire to live as good neighbors after the restoration of their independence. The AASC will unmask Soviet colonialism before the whole Western world in the name of the non-Russian peoples of the Soviet empire, and will instill into the minds of the peoples of Asia and Africa the true picture of Soviet imperialism.

Three initial lines of action are contemplated by the AASC:

1. The convocation at an early date in Basle or Luxembourg or anywhere else of an international conference of the leaders-in-exile of the colonial victims of the Soviet power, with the attendance of prominent public figures --as guests and delegates -- from Africa, Asia and Western Europe.

2. The issuance of a monthly or semi-monthly magazine in English devoted to exposing the theory and practice of Soviet colonialism.

3. The establishment of a bureau for the maintenance of relations with parliamentary bodies, international organizations, political and public groups and assemblies in the various areas of the free world.